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Presented for filing is a new continuation-in-part patent application of:

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Title: METHODS OF TISSUE REPAIR AND REGENERATION AND TISSUE ENGINEERING COMPOSITIONS

Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date under 37 CFR §1.53(b):

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This application is a continuation-in-part (and claims the benefit of priority under 35 USC §119 pursuant to §§365 and 366) of International Application Serial No. PCT/US02/20673, filed June 28, 2002, which claims priority to U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/301,684, filed June 28, 2001; this application also claims priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(e) to U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/426,152, filed November 14, 2002, the disclosures of which are all incorporated herein by reference in their entirety. The following patent applications are related to and considered part of the application herein and are incorporated herein by reference in their entirety:

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U.S. Provisional Application Serial Nos. 60/301,684 and 60/426,152, as well as U.S. Application Serial No. 09/965,651 and 09/595,195.

This application is entitled to small entity status.

Basic filing fee	\$0
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